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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 17, 2002. Please amend the application as follows.

## In the Claims

Please cancel claims 117, 119, 120, 122, 124 and 127.

Please amend the claims as follows. Applicants have attached a copy of the marked-up claims on a separate page, with deletions and additions to the text indicated by bracketing and underlining, respectively.

1. (thrice amended) A method of diagnosing cancer, comprising:

contacting a biological sample isolated from a subject with an agent that specifically binds to a nucleic acid molecule, an expression product thereof, or a fragment of an expression 658703.1



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Respectfully submitted,

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